



This is to express concerns about SB566. This bill seeks to remove civil liability for persons who acting on “good faith belief” of imminent danger may forcibly enter a private vehicle and remove a pet.

St Clair Kennel Club’s members are concerned about the question of secondary liability. If the pet is in fact not in imminent danger of over heating and bites the would be rescuer, who is liable for injury to the would be rescuer? If the animal escapes the custody of the would be rescuer and bites or injures a third party, causes an vehicular accident, or is injured or killed by a vehicle while attempting to escape the custody of a stranger, who is liable? None of the above situations would have occurred without the intervention of the possibly well-intentioned but possibly misinformed would be rescuer.

Until and unless the above concerns are addressed. The St Clair Kennel Club and its members are opposed to this bill.

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